Is it as important to me as education, health care, safer walking and bicycling routes and safe, clean public transit? No, but I'll say this: after the deregulation of radio ownership, and the subsequent buyout by Clear Channel of practically everything, the only stations I tune to are NPR and CSPAN Radio. Don't let television and the newspapers fall to the same fate as radio. Let there be competition! Let there be many views aired and discussed. Don't let conglomerates effectively eliminate freedom of the press by owning all of my news sources.